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Dear Saul

Received your yeast strains in good condition except for Ma which had piled up alot of gas which nearly blew out the agar when I opened the tube. I got it out all right.

I thought you told me that you could distinguish fermentative mutants on EMB agar. I put Ma and ma on maltose EMB and found that neither of them grew well enough to form distinguishable colonies.

Whose wrong?

Best regards, Yours sincerely,